

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 1. 1. A pillow for holding an infant, the pillow comprising:
2 a pillow body having a padded region and a well region, wherein the padded
3 region comprises an upper section, a lower section and two side sections that surround the
4 well region, wherein the padded region further comprises a cover and a fill material stuffed
5 within the cover, and wherein the pillow body angles upward from the lower section to the
6 upper section such that when an infant is placed onto the pillow the infant is inclined, with
7 the infant's bottom resting in the well region and the infant's back and head resting on the
8 upper section.

1 2. A pillow as in claim 1, wherein the well region comprises a piece of
2 fabric disposed between the upper section, the lower section, and the two side sections.

1 3. A pillow as in claim 1, wherein the pillow body angles upward from
2 the lower section to the upper section at an angle in the range from about 9 degrees to about
3 15 degrees.

1 4. A pillow as in claim 1, wherein the well region is generally circular
2 and has a diameter in the range from about 4 inches to about 7 inches.

1 5. A pillow as in claim 1, wherein the lower section and the side sections
2 extend above the well region by a distance in the range from about 1 inch to about 3 inches.

1 6. A pillow as in claim 1, wherein the upper section extends above the
2 well region by a distance in the range from about 2 inches to about 8 inches.

1 7. A pillow as in claim 1, wherein the pillow body has a length in the
2 range from about 14 inches to about 24 inches, and a width in the range from about 8 inches
3 to about 20 inches.

1 8. A pillow as in claim 1, wherein the well region is positioned within
2 about 3 inches to about 7 inches of the lower section and the side sections.

1 9. A method for supporting an infant, the method comprising:
2 providing a support pillow that comprises a pillow body having a padded
3 region and a well region, wherein the padded region comprises an upper section, a lower

4 section and two side sections that surround the well region, wherein the padded region further
5 comprises a cover and a fill material stuffed within the cover, and wherein the pillow body
6 angles upward from the lower section to the upper section;

7 placing an infant onto the support pillow in an inclined orientation, with the
8 infant's bottom resting in the well region and the infant's back and head resting on the upper
9 section.

1 10. A method as in claim 9, wherein the infant is inclined at an angle in the
2 range from about 9 degrees to about 15 degrees.

1 11. A method as in claim 9, further comprising wrapping the infant in a
2 blanket prior to placing the infant onto the support pillow.

1 12. A method as in claim 9, further comprising feeding the infant while on
2 the support pillow.

1 13. A method as in claim 9, wherein the well region comprises a piece of
2 fabric disposed between the upper section, the lower section, and the two side sections, and
3 wherein the infant's bottom is placed onto the piece of fabric.

1 14. A pillow kit comprising:
2 a support pillow that comprises a pillow body having a padded region and a
3 well region, wherein the padded region comprises an upper section, a lower section and two
4 side sections that surround the well region, wherein the padded region further comprises a
5 cover and a fill material stuffed within the cover, and wherein the pillow body angles upward
6 from the lower section to the upper section such that when an infant is placed onto the pillow
7 the infant is inclined, with the infant's bottom resting in the well region and the infant's back
8 and head resting on the upper section; and
9 a transparent covering having an open interior sized to receive and hold the
10 support pillow.

1 15. A pillow kit as in claim 14, wherein the covering has a bottom end, a
2 top end with an opening, and a fastener to close the opening.

1 16. A pillow kit as in claim 15, further comprising a pair of handles
2 coupled to the top end.

1 17. A pillow kit as in claim 15, wherein the covering has a shape that
2 closely matches the shape of the support pillow.

1 18. A pillow kit as in claim 15, wherein the well region comprises a piece
2 of fabric disposed between the upper section, the lower section, and the two side sections.

1 19. A pillow kit as in claim 15, wherein the pillow body angles at an angle
2 in the range from about 9 degrees to about 15 degrees.

1 20. A pillow as in claim 15, wherein the well region is generally circular
2 and has a diameter in the range from about 4 inches to about 7 inches